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Please find enclosed a revision to Dr. Richard Gilbert's, Pacific Northwest Laboratory,

July 30, 1993, report on background comparisons transmitted on August 16, 1993. The enclosed figure for Task 4 should replace the existing figure in the report.

Sincerely,

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Enclosed is a revision to the Figure titled "Task 4: Flow Chart for Comparing OU Data to Background" that appeared on page 11.A of my July 30, 1993 letter report to Systematic Management Services, Inc., concerning a recommended process to compare operable units (OUs) to background concentrations at Rocky Flats Plant. This revision is in response to a recent phone call from Dennis Weier of EG&G Rocky Flats Inc., Statistical Applications, pointing out that the figure was not consistent with the written recommended statistical process in my letter report. The discussion on page 8 (next to last paragraph) of the report and the illustration of the statistical testing process (pages 16-25) correctly indicate that the hot measurement - comparison is only one among 6 tests that should be performed. It should not be the only test conducted. Unfortunately, the original figure in the letter report indicated that if the hot measurement comparison indicates one or more OU measurements exceed the hot measurement value then the other tests need not be conducted. This is not consistent with the written recommendations. This inconsistency is corrected in the enclosed figure.

I apologize for this oversight and hope that it has not caused you any problems. I urge you to distribute this letter and the enclosed revised figure to all individuals who received the original figure.

Best regards.

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